

# The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

## *A Resolution Supporting Nomination of Dr. Charles W. Grim for Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services*

### Resolution No. 17-11



Bill John Baker  
Principal Chief

**WHEREAS,** the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes (ITC) is an organization that unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations, representing more than 650,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and



Bill Anoatubby  
Governor

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Indian Health Service (IHS) is a key role for American Indians/Alaska Natives (AI/AN) in the federal government, and responsible for executing the IHS mission of raising the health status of AI/AN to the highest possible level; and



Gary Batton  
Chief

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Charles W. Grim, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, has served exemplary as IHS Director from 2002-2007, and has extensive experience with operation of large health systems, not only for IHS but also at the Tribal level; and



James R. Floyd  
Principal Chief

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Grim is a retired Assistant Surgeon General and Rear Admiral (upper half) in the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Services (USPHS); and



Leonard M. Harjo  
Principal Chief


**WHEREAS,** the IHS and Tribal governments will greatly benefit from the demonstrated leadership skills of Dr. Grim for Indian health.


**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes hereby supports nomination of Dr. Charles W. Grim for Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.


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## CERTIFICATION


The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Thackerville, Oklahoma on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017, by a vote of all for 0 against and 0 abstentions.

  
Bill Anoatubby, Governor  
The Chickasaw Nation

  
Gary Patton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

  
Bill John Baker, Principal Chief  
Cherokee Nation

  
James R. Floyd, Principal Chief  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

  
Leonard M. Harjo, Principal Chief  
Seminole Nation of Oklahoma